

DOURTHE

‘A Bordeaux brand for real wine lovers.’

- Robert Parker

Year Founded: 1840

Region: Bordeaux, France

Owner: The Dourthe Family

Fun Fact: No. 1 was created (1988) in collaboration with Denis Dubordieu, Bordeaux’s ‘Godfather’ of white wines.

Known For: Benchmark producer and a solid reference point in Bordeaux.

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Maison Dourthe was founded in 1840 and is a committed player in Bordeaux. Whether in its vineyards or with its partners, its aim is to share the wealth and diversity of Bordeaux terroirs and create the Bordeaux wines of the future. Our wines clearly reflect the wealth and diversity of the Bordeaux terroir. In our Châteaux, and with our partner growers, we work in synergy in the pursuit of iconic wines.

N°1’s distinctive style and character is born of a global approach that no other wine producer has attempted to achieve until now. Dourthe’s involvement at every stage of its production is truly pioneering. Created in 1988 and stemming from an encounter between Denis Dubordieu, Bordeaux’s ‘godfather of white wines’ and our partner growers, N°1 is above all the fruit of a dedicated team committed to revealing the truest expression of each appellation. N°1 reveals the very best of iconic AOC Bordeaux, delivering a range of complex, charming and elegant wines.



2023 N°1 Sauvignon Blanc

To push the boundaries and create the very first dry white wine from Bordeaux at an affordable price, is the ambition that drove Denis Dubordieu and Dourthe with the creation of N°1. The concept came to light in the 1980s. A time in Bordeaux when the great red wines reign supreme, leaving their white counterparts – of dubious quality – languishing in the shadows. From this realization was born the idea of producing quality white grapes of perfect ripeness. In addition to the many interventions carried out in the vineyard, new techniques are introduced in the winery to extract the full potential the berries can offer. Inspired by the prestigious white wines of Sancerre, N°1 Blanc is made exclusively from Sauvignon Blanc grapes. Another revelation in a world where Semillon is king.

Only the best terroir across Bordeaux: Silty and sandy-silt soils with clay sub-soil (ideal for intense, expressive, and highly aromatic white wine), clay and clay-limestone soil (imparts depth, aromatic complexity, and great finesse). Skin contact maceration and low temperature fermentation enhance the aromatic richness and unique character. Ages 6 months on the lees in stainless steel vats.

90 Points - James Suckling - *“Fresh and vivid white with notes of lemons, orange blossoms, fine herbs and sliced apples. Medium-bodied and crisp, with clean acidity and a polished texture. Perfumed and seductive.”*

90 Points - Decanter - *“Lemon grass, apple, pear - lots of citrus notes. Bright and clear, pristine, not so weighty, but all balanced and harmonious. Easy drinking, nothing harsh, no greenness, instead there’s succulence and bright lemon sherbet accents.”*